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that you could speak like Euv. Debs or Father McGrady; or

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Almost without exception the hig for-tunes in the world were founded by trick-ery and rascality. Armour's was, Rocke-seller's was, Csrnegle's was, Clark's was, and Inthischild's certainly was. So you see society hasn't been ahie to protect itself by means of the law, after all.

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Socialist mot possible for us all to do some kind of great things. But you so realize that it is possible to are in the doing of a great thing. We not to make it clear how you can do not to make it clear how you can do not the people. During the much heraided prosperity people are led into expenses they would not otherwise go into. It is they wonld not otherwise go into. It is they wonld not otherwise go into they wonld not otherwise go into. It is they wonld not otherwise go into they workers do not rise with the "good times," It is easy to see "where they are at."

An Associated Press dispatch says that the United States Steel Corporation has purchased the influencing them every week—changing the currents of their thoughts, and sing at the last their action hy brings as we motives to hear npon them and setting facts in new perspectives.

But this is a great work that no one can do. This demands the co-operse of the many: and this we want to get in as great degree as possible.

An Associated Press dispatch says that the United States Steel Corporation has purchased the Breaker island steel plant for \$1,500,000 and has ordered it to be shirt off competition. A good thing for the capitalists probably, but how about the workers thrown out of employment? Only another evidence of how the present system works evil to the working class has the power to vote the system out and a better one in!

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- All hail to King Christmas. -

song for old Christmas,
For jolly old Christmas,
The monarch of merriment,
fun and good cheer!
Let all the bells chiming Ring out with a rhyming, Christmas, good Christmas, King Christmas is here!

Pile up the log fire Pile up the log fire
Still higher and higher;
He loves the hright blaze of a wide
open hearth,
No shadow of sadness
Must darken onr gladness,
For Christmas, hithe Christmas, now
"piles the broad earth," rules the broad earth.

The man who supports the espitalist system supports a system in which pal-aces and hovels, robes and rags, are in-citable. No man who has the inter-sets of the race at heart can support such a system.

His brown wreathed with holly, Fat, rosy and jolly,
He sways the proud scepter no monarch can boast

O'er realma that are boundless,
And depths that are soundless,
For he, mighty Christmas, alone rules the
roast!

Then plump be the purses
Of all whom these verses
May reach, with their tidings of jolly
good cheer.
Their presents be many,
Their fun best of any,
For Christmes comes ance—easy cace—in For Christmas comes once-only once a year.-Aimee Carey.

Ruskin spoke of "the healthy delight of nncovetous admiration." There is a heautiful sentiment expressed in those few and simple words. But try to imagine "uncovetous admiration" nader capitalism it you can.

In Queen Elizabeth's time 400 human beings were hanged a year for vagrancy. The "nobility" had the land and the people were simply tolerated. This country is full of vagrants today—men without property. The people nphold a system that puts wealth in the hands of the few and then punishes those who have none for not heing rich. The people have great ideas of justice, eh?

When, as is the case today, men cannot possibly lead successful, adequate and wholesome lives under the competitiv, capitalistic system, it is sound sense to supplant the system of private ownership of capital with a system based on mutuality.

Finnny enough, it is just at the point where Socialism gets possession of the lahor movement that it drags it out of politics. Yet we still hear the cry of "keep the nnions out of politics"—meaning Socisism. All over this conntry the lahor movement is disgraced by "leaders" who are of the lowest sort of ward heelers and capitalistic pluggers. Socialism helps the self-respecting unionists to get the upper hand and to kick out these disreputable lahor hetrayers. Then it seads the members of the nnions to the hallot box to vote for their class interests like men.

Merrie Christmas! How do you like Prosperity? Have yon given as good and serviceable presents as yon would like to, or just cheap, made-to-sell, gued and veneered and imitation things? Have you celebrated the lnw price of wages and the high price of living by hnying things worth huying?

things worth haying?

Why should soft cosi go up in price? Have you asked yourself that question? There was no strike at the mines. It is simply because the supplying of the people's necessities under capitslism is made a matter of speculation instead of service. It hasn't cost any more to mine soft cost than formerly; there is no sane relation between cost of production and price in the market. It Socialism proposed to trade upon the distress of the people in that way, how people would how! sgainst it!

To the churchman Christmas typifies the birth of Jesus Chriat. Peace on earth, good will in man! Capitalism hasn't permitted such a thing sud never will. It answers the demand for peace on earth with large standing armies, with vulture-like law-protected capitalists devonring the people's vitals, with labor exploitation, with starvation and sparse living for the workers. But it celebrates Christmas, all the same. And, why? Because it helps business.

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Only the good old Sun-god, in whose bons must so easily be changed into a Stranger and the stranger of the minor must so easily be changed into a Stranger and may enjoy it.

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earmed increase that has plunged the button man race into the inhuman hell that to day disgraces civilized society, makes the very rote and the very poor, gives diences an abundance and industry a crust, makes Rockefellers and Morgans on one hand and Czolgoszs on the other—and to Hev. Owens, this rottes condition is some intak he is ready to call down a hiessing upon it. If anyone needs to be "born again" it is such a man as this.

In Belgium they are experimenting on matches in which no phosphorous is used. This is a merciful thing, but helated, of course, as every other life-saving effort is, under capitalism. Where matches are made with phosphorous the operatives are subject to a harrible disease known as "phossy-jaw" in which the bones of the jaw decay and hecom, hrittle and eventually produce death. The fatalities from phossy-jaw in England were so Increase and a year ago that the government was forced to take a hand in the matter. Under present conditions the worker all too frequently contributes his health and his life as well as his strength and ingennity to bis product.

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lerence, is producing dend sea fruit. The public has some rights in the matter, being interested to see a public ownership come from the struggle. This was ignored—eagerly ignored, we might sny, by the President of the people of these United States. But the miners seemed to have fared no better. One of the evidences of this is seen in sneh dispatches as the following:

Shamokin, Pa., Dec. 20.—It was learned at beadquarters of the Ninth district, United Mine Workers, today that out of a membership of 51,000 men und boys in the counties of Northamherland, Schuylkiil, Dauphin and Columbia 14,000 workmen sre yet dide owing to sbandonment and damaged mines and the companies' refusal to reinstate a number of men who were too aggreasive, in their exployers' opinion, in Indineing miners to remain away from the collieries. collieries.

They call them captains of industry, and they are. But what captains, what managers! Such managers, indeed, that about every so often the body of helpless workers dependent on them for bread are ground to pieces by the industrial crashes called panics, or "hard times." These are the times when these wise captains of industry have so flooded the markets of the world that those markets of the world that those markets of the consuming and purchasing capacity of the people has not been alde to keep up with their productive powers. Wise management truly!

The venerahie Russell Sage was known twenty years ago to be the possessor of twenty milliona. Now his wea'th is said to be three times na large or over. In the haliding of his immense fortune, it is said, he has met few reverses. It has been an easy game to him. No harder than for some other men to just eke out a living at mannai labor. If one man can sneceed another can, snys the capitalistic wises? at the Sages are few and far between. Their imitators are legion, and the Sages rake in the wreckage as one and mother of the lmitature go to shash. Oh, yes it's your own fault if you are poor, tre iai It pays the capitalists to have you think so; anyway.

Christmas Observance and Present Conditions.

The festival of Christmas really originated in an old Germanic heathen celehration of the return of the sun. In the far North and in the extreme South, in consequence of the oval form of the earth, the days usd nights are much shorler and much onger than elsewhere on the earth. In the most northern part of Norway there are only one day and one night in the year, and even in the inhabited parts, the "long night" continues more than six weeks. fore civilization penetrated these regions, the heathen inhabitants continually feared the total disappearance of the sun, and its return nt the time of its first sppearance (on February 27) always gave occasion to great festivities. They ate, drank, gave presents to one snother and lighted bontires. This festival was called the Ynle-feast, or Ynle-tide. And Christmus is called Ynle-tide in Sweden and Norway to this day.

It is noticeable that even progressive and Socialist papers, in their "Christmas Thoughts," always start out from Bethlehem and the manger. But festival of Christmas has really nothing to do with this. In Southern Catholic countries, as Spala and Italy, for whom equally, of course, the Christ-child was born, the festival of Christmas is not celebrated. Christianity, in its propaganda, always took note of nid customs and religious, only it put a new meaning isto the old forms. Usually it turned the old beauty into a new moaster, the old god into a new devil. Thus Freia, Holle and Wodan were degraded into devils hy the Christian priests. The old Yule feast received a new meaning; it be

came the hirthday of the Christ-child. Only the good old Sun-god, in whose bosor presents were made every year, could not so easily be changed into n Sstan, and therefore they made a saint of him—St. Nichoias, also called Sauta Class, who moreover uses to this day the reindeer tenm of the nld Sun-god.

However this may be. Christmas has remained a festival for Northern counses. It is enjoyed by those who can and may enjoy it.

For although capitalistic prosperity is apparently at its zenith, the masses of the people, in consequence of the exorbitant price of the necessities of life. live in continual poverty and anxiety. Moreover this winter we have the coal famine, which especially in the large cities makes its presence psinfully felt.

In a couple of years an industrial crisis will break out, the appearance of which is predicted even by the great capitalists. Then the number of the anomployed will fearfully swell the unhappy "reserve army of industry," and want and misery will again hold witches' carnival everywhere.

And what then?
We bope that then after the long night will follow the dawn and finally the day-that the sun of Socialism will at last make its appearance and rise upon the people. Then mankind ngain will cele-brate a Yule tible fensi-a joyous festival for every man. And then there will be "Peace on earth and good will towards mee."

The waiters in Paris are revolting against the tipping system and want regular wages instead. Several waiters state that they have to pay from \$1.50 to \$3 a day merely for the privilege of working in the restaurants and cafes that are popular. It is to be hoped that the revolt prevails. There is no reason why an honorable employment such as waiting on table should be so surrounded by conditions as to make those engaged in it servile supplicants.

"Peace on earth; Good Will to Men!"
That is the saying that is linked to the
Christmas period. It describes splendidly what we Socialists are after. No one
clese can bring it in hut us. Take in hand,

ly what we Socialists me after. No one clse can bring it in hut us. Take a haml, neighbor, and help. Be ap with the times you are living in. Help make reality of this phraze that has been so impotently uttered these many years by well meaning men. The eHrald stands for peace on earth. It is a messenger of a peace that we must have. Send that messenger as far and to as many people as you can.

ns you can.

Did you ever stop to think of it that Santa Clans is an altruistic sort of a chap? There isn't a selfash hair in his old grey head. He won't have to be reformed at all when we have driven capitalism out and inaugurated Socialiam. But he must have his trials these days. Think of his having—through the strange working of Prosperity—to give more presenta to the rich children than the poor, and the poor the most deserving.

"Nothing can overcome the young glant of private monopoly except the greater siant of public monopoly," Edward Bel-lamy said, and no sane man will contra-dict the proposition.

by the Christisa priests. The old Yuke you admire also cost hard work and clice, and join in fellowship with in your work and sacrifice.

Let week an electrician missed his sid on the girders of a hig factory diding and fell to his death to the taken off in the machinery.

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The man stand representative of the tax that individual capitalists speak of communities as shall wish to do their own printing and binding. This plan will allow school districts to make their very lives to make profits the capitalists. Talk about gratitive their very lives to make profits the capitalists. Talk about gratitive the capitalists. Talk about gratitive their very lives to make profits the capitalists. Talk about gratitive their very lives to make profits the capitalists. Talk about gratitive their very lives to make profits the capitalists. Talk about gratitive their very lives to make profits the capitalists. Talk about gratitive the private schools will stand the same chance of naing the books as the public schools. All this, of course, to be in connection with the plan of free school books octopus be. Mr. Private Citizen?

Figures given out by the government

Figures given out by the government show that the Philippines provide this country with a market for five million dollars' worth of its products. As the Philippine conquest was a cold-blooded conquest for a foreign market, we are reminded of the fact that the Philippine war, besides the lives it cost on both sides, cost this country a cool three hundred and fifty millions of dollars. What a husiness deal, you say? Oh, but the three hundred snot fifty millions was paid by the people of this government while the five millions goes into the pockets of the capitalists among us! The latter simply used the government to make us provide them with a chance to make more profits. They're no fools, these capitalists!

The above is a little of the testimony which our hefore the coal strike investing in the increase in the price of near of the increase in the price of needs in in the price or paternaism, Socialism, Apretty queer mnd centralized power." A pretty queer mlxture. But the Democratic party, so-called, is rushing to its fate. It has neight to the name it hears. Men who really helieve in democracy will leave in droves. They are doing so already. The future will see but two parties in this country, the Republican party standing for capitalism and the Social Democratic party, standing for Socialism.

It used to he the boast of Spain that its people were the most patriotic nu earth, This was hecause they were the most ignorant. Blind patriotism is the hope of the oppressors always. The patriotism of mankind is hetter than a patriotism bounded by geographical lines.

Gertrule Potter Daniels, daughter in Millionaire O. W. Potter of Chiengo, formerly at the head of the Illinois Steel Company before it in turn was swallowed by the steel trust, has written another novel giving the plutes fits—especially the Standard Oil Company. Her finther is called the millionaire Socialist in Chicago, although his Socialism is not of a very definite type, and she seems to have come naturally by her sympathy for the under dog in the economic fight, and also to brave had inside information as to the dealings of the moneyed kings in getting material for her book.

In the world as it was before society took hold of it, man could get slong slone and musssisted, same as the beasts. It wasa't a very line liviag, but he dida't have to starve. Now we have society to regulate and associate lahor and help people to live and a completer is its sway, that the minute a man tries to live independently of it, he has no pisce to stand nor can he lay his hand or set his foot on anything that is not private or public property. The remedy for this lies not in abolishing society hut in making all equal participants in the ownership of the property of society—that is, in all the productive and distributive forces and cutvities.

Inventive genius does not rest. More and more we are learning how to harness the forces of nature and to set the follers free—FREB, do yon hear? And it will be asad day for the race when the workers give up their revolt sgainst the private ownership of these respired to the property that is not private or public propaganda participants in the ownership of the propaganda paper is not entirely dependent on the propaganda paper is not entirely dependent on the propaganda paper is not say valuable for propaganda as one that shows at the the productive and activities.

Vice President Dancan of the A. F. of L. distinguished himself at the New Orleans convention for two things. He opposed Socialism in rough-shod fashiou, and he made beasts about being a philosophic anarchist. As anarchists do not believe in organization it might be asked why he is in President Gompers' official family. And his opposition to Socialism is due to his anarchism instead of his mionism, so that as an official he is not acting on the square.

The workers are in revolt and determined in know why they must be beasts of harden, while others can tour the globe like hatterfles. Why is this? Hecanse all men todsy are rending. To like his office by parties that stand for the preservorkers are beginning to know why they are enslaved. Verily, this is the reading age. It is lucky for mankind that it is so.

It is n conviction of ours that a purely propaganda paper is not so valuable for propaganda as one that shows at the same time the party organization of Socialism. It is even easier to convert your mas to party Socialism than to Socialism in the abstract. If he wants Socialism it is an encouragement to him to see that the organization to fight for it is not lacking. That's why this paper is modelled as it is. An organized Socialist is worth ten unorganized obes.

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The daring of the Associated Press in the election just past in ignoring the Socialist vote, even where our people eame to second, Is one of the flagrant things that combine to make up the crown of many thorns that crushes down on the horow of American citizenship these days.

The workers are in revolt and determined in know why they must be the skimmers.

In the A. F. of L.'s Stocking!-

Merrie Christmas, Lahor! Merrie Christmas!

You chaps who lahor are the salt of the earth and the backbone of this great country—and you have enough votes collectively to take the government and run it in the interests of your class—the only class that de-serves consideration from a people's government.

But you don't vote as one man! Thanks!!!

Very kind of you to leave the government with us. We'll RUN itl!

enument with us. We'll RUN it!!

The other day we ordered a hig woodworking establishment in Milwaukee not to put the union label on some government furniture they are making for ns. Why shouldn't we; we are not afraid of you as long as you split your votes!

The accompanying picture shows you what we do with your rights in the United States mails. When a labor paper sends out its paper in wrappers having the union label on it, we put a hig hlack square over the label. That label stands for the laboring class who are organized to fight against our interests. Henry C.

iyne, postmaster g order suppressing the label on wrap-pers. We know our husiness, and as you do not take possession of the government and run it for your in-



terests, we suppose you are satisfied. We thank you for your kindness. We wish you a very Merrie Christmas!!! With best wishes (!) we remain,

THE CAPITALIST GOVERNMENT. Washington, D. C., Dec. 25, 1902.

"State Socialism? State Socialism."

In a socialism? State Socialism."

In a socialism? State Socialism."

In a socialism wants a thing that could reasonably he called state Socialism. We want a Social Democracy. We want not government but regulation. Not government from the top, but orderly agreement from below.

Isn't it a queer thing that the arguments that the capitalism press is now using against Socialism, are all borrowed in the socialism, are all borrowed from the Anarchists, whom the capitalism, boys, center your voting against it. Doa't wante time in fighting individuals, The individual oppressors will go down with the aystem.

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GEN. BOOTH'S BIG FAILURE. Over ten years ago Gen. William Booth, the founder of the Salvation Army, gave the world his sensational book, "in Durkest England," and is connection therewith set in motion a pinn by which he hoped to recialm the slam dwellers of London la rapid order. It was a sure thing, and, best of all, was sure to show the fallacy of the Socialist plan-it wasn't necessary to reconstruct society in order to save the people from the remarky of capital; they could be saved without disturbing the maneating game of the exploiters. Gen. Booth's flings at the Socialista were very gratefully received by the capitalists, and his book

he undealrable surplus population of the ity and establish it on farm coloules, selfcity and establish it on farm coloules, seir-sustaining, and therefore glorious from the empitalists' point of view. It was not hard to raise money for the purpose, and so the experiment was put in full swing. It has ended in failure, we might have

a fiend, mercless as hell, rathless as the grave. * * The stony streets of London, if they could hat speak, would tell of tragedies as swin, of rain as complete, of ravisineuts as horrible, as if we were in Central Africa; only the ghastly devastational as covered, corpse-like, with the articular time of the corpse-like, with the articular time of the corpse-like with the articular and hypocrises of modern elvilization.

Those time which the articular and the systematically and deliberately defrand the workman of his pay, who grind the faces of the poor, sad who rot like widow and the orphan, and who for a pretence make great prafession of public split sud philautropy—these men uowadays are sent of Parliament to make laws for the peoplo. The old propheta sent them to hell-but we have changed all that. They send their vectims to hell, and are rewarded by all that wealth can do to make their lives comfortable.

So it was Gen. Hooth's plan to end this sort of thing double-quick. The Socialist pinu was too slow. He would show the way to do it, and would do it so eapitalism would remain free to fleece. The fleecing, the robbery of the profit system could go on, bot his colonies would take care of the vanquished, the results of the fleecing system, and keep civilization clean.

The farm colony of the Salvation Army

at Hadleigh, England, has just unde Its yearly report, and now the Socialists are calling public attention to the results.

Says the Clarion:

"The Durkest England social scheme has been in operation for more than ien venue. But East End trousers makers are still paid from 1½d to 2½d per pair for their work. A mother mad daughter were sentenced to imprisonment at Worship street the other day for pawning some of their employers trousers for food. Companies paying 42% per cent. On their shareholders investments still expect their workgirls to keep up a respectable appearance on 10s per week. The Salvation Army'n own commissioners in the east end report that breail which cost 4½d last Manch now costs 5½d; stewing beef han risen in the same time from dot to 8½d. All meat has advanced within the last few mouths from 40 to 20 per cent. Coal is selling at 1½d for 7 boonds, or 40s per ton. The Charch Army declared that he was a graduate from 50 to 40s per ton. The Charch Army declared that he was a graduate from 50 to 40s per ton. The Charch Army declared that he was a graduate from 50 to 50 per ton. The Charch Army declared that he was a graduate from 50 to 50 per ton. The Charch Army declared that he was a graduate from 50 to 50 per ton. The Charch Army declared that he was a graduate from 50 to 50 per ton. The Charch Army declared that he was a graduate from 50 to 50 per ton. The Charch Army declared that he was a graduate from 50 per ton. The Charch Army declared that he was a graduate from 50 per ton. The Charch Army declared that he was a graduate from 50 per ton. The Charch Army declared that he was a graduate from 50 per ton. The Charch Army declared that he was a graduate from 50 per ton. The Charch Army declared that he was a graduate from 50 per ton. The Charch Army declared that he was a graduate from 50 per ton. The Charch Army declared that he was a free from 50 per ton. The Charch Army declared that he was a graduate from 50 per ton. The Charch Army declared that he was a graduate from 50 per ton. The Charch Army declared that he was a graduate from 50 per ton. The charch arm of the proper ton. The mother of the proper ton 50 Saya the Chrion:

this winter are far worse than for quite a number of years past. At Worship street, the other day, a widow, charked with her son's irregular, school attendance, stated that he had been the mainstay of a family of four since he started eatning 3s 6d a week at the age of 9. The Westminster coroner last week investigated two cases of sinvation which had occurred in one day in the neighborhood of our national Parliament house; one of the victins had been an old soldier.

In September of this year, according to board of trade figures, the work at the ducks and principal wharves in London tin one trade only of one city in the kieg-dom inforded employment for 2000 less bands than in September of the previous year? The October figures, as we stated last week, show that employment in nil trades has not been so bad na at present since the farm colony started. There were 27.272 unemployed, out of 548,442 members of the 223 specially organized trade nnions included in the report; and, as the proportion of unemployed must necessarily be much larger in the ranks of unorganized inbor, we may reasonably assume that nearly half a million of men are at present without work. And the farm colony at Hadlelph finds winter employment for about 200? How should the world be saved at this rate? The truth is that the Salvation Army and their congeners are trying to empty a tidal river who at in bucket, and have omitted to shut out the tide."

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There is nothing surprising about it. Charity never will and never can nullify or patch up the ruin wrought by capital ism. Charity spoils the giver as well as the receiver. It can never be a substitute for justice. It is as abomination. Instead of doing good Gen. Booth has done mischief. Instead of hastening the abolition of poverty, he has delayed it, for there have been many doshtless with faith in before giring their sauction to a rational plan of empaign against the evil. people are so constituted that they only embrace Socialism after they have seen every other possible remedy exploded.

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Eugland will ulso attend the Salvatian Army farm colony acheme in this coun-try. They will fail, not necessarily from the standpoint of the individual reclaimed In whose case good may be done, has they will fall of the social effect claimed for them. The best way is the HIGHT way

DEMOCRACY'S FUTURE GUARDIAN. DEMOCRACY'S FUTURE GUARDIAN.

Rev. Herbert Bigelow of Cincinnati, whose Socialistic instincts were run off on the single tax side track, was at the hend of the Democratic tieket in Ohio at the recent election, and great satisfaction has been expressed by the capitalist politicians at the fact that he ran way behind the rest of the tieket. The politicians regarded him as a man of dangerous ideas. He was too democratic for the Democrats, so-calied, and they knifed him everywhere they could and influenced people to vote against 1.00 him. Rev. Bigelow has written a good deal on the subject of poverty and hates 3.00 to see people coutented with it. Thus, he says:

to see people contented with it. Thus, he says:

"Not only do men resign themselves to the inevitableness of poverty, but they even try to pursuade themselves that poverty is a hlessing. They never think it is n hlessing to themselves, but they talk softly of the blessings of other people's poverty. Gen. Hooth of the Salvation Army recently preached a sermon in which be gave seven reasons for consalering poverty n hlessing. The Salvation Army claims to have fed Christmas day in New York city 25,000 people. Monstrons! Seven reasons for the blessedness of enting your Christmas dinner at a charity trough with 25,000 other panpers! The blessings of poverty! You might as well talk of the gentleness of a Dakoth blizzard. It would he as appropriate to speak of a balmy St. Louis cyclone. Cannot the preachers give us a sermon on the hopefulness of despair or on the plensureableness of cain? I have heard it and of these preachers that they think in their stomachs. Poverty means what? Cold, hunser, shame hate, vice, crime; it means bodily sickness and moral degradation."

Now this sort of thing has the ring of true humanity, "Wat's dat rot ter do

Now this sort of thing has the ring of true humanity. "Wat's dat got ter do wid nolities?" said the "Democratic" politicians, nad they "ordu't do a ting to Bigelow."

so the experiment was put lu full swing. It has ended in failure, as might have been expected.

Gen. Rooth started out to do big things. He did not underestimate the extent of seriousness of the evil he intended to cure, for he thus described it:

"To many the world is all slum, with the workhoose as an intermediate purgatary before the grave. " " That which is despair, is the apporent loopossibility of doing more than unerely to peck at the ontside of the endless tangle of monet onous undergrowth; to let light into it, to make a road clear through it that shall not be inmediately choked up by the conformance of the morass, and the luxuriaot parasitical growth of the forest—who dare hope for that? " " Otten and often, when helpless go down lefore my eyes fait the helpess go down lefore my eyes fait the grave. " " The stony streets of London, if they could hut speak, would tell of tragedles as a wful, of rain as complete, of ravishments as horrible, as if we were in Central Africa; only the ghasily devastating leads in the solution is covered, corpse-like, with the artificialities and hypocrisies of modern civilization. " " Those arms which reduce sweating to a fine art, who systematically and deliberative defrand the work of the professors, seeking to the moderative defrand the work of the money bags the Republican party as the purest flower of capitalism will prevail. The leads of the people the Socialist Democratic party. It is a complete, of ravishments as horrible, as if we were in Central Africa; only the ghasily devastatically and the professors, seeking to the moderative defrand the work of the money bags the Republican party as the purest flower of capitalism will prevail. The dance of the money bags the Republican party as the purest flower of capitalism of the professors, seeking to provide the moderative defrand the work of the money bags the Republicans and on the side of the people the Socialist of the money bags the Republicans and on the side of the people the Socialist of the money bags the Repu

and on the side of the people the Socialist Democratic party.

A comple of French professors, seeking new fields in which to make hids for notoriety, have declared that love is n disease. One of them says, "Love should be nuder control of n board of health that possessed full police authority, for love is nothing more than a disease. There can be, no doubt that love is caused by a poison, a germ, nithough the bacilius has not yet been discovered. Generally the symptoms of love poisoning are almost identical with those of morphine poisoning. Many n crime that has been attributed to nicotine poisoning, to morphine and to alcoholism, has been the result of the love poison." And so on! If the professor has in mind the morbid variety of love, popularly associated with French life—unjustly, ns we have no doubt, he may be in a sense right. In fact he does instance Dandet's Sapho as an instance of the poisonous quality of the love passion. But be that as it may, the love passion is admittedly the strongest passion in man and this passion it is proposed to put nader police regulation! It is the habit, with the enemies of Socialism, particularly the Anarchists, to claim that a Socialist society would invade all the natural private rights of the individual, making the stute the most abominable and insufferable of oppressors, but as the kind of Socialism we want in Socialism—the people will have a word to say in such matters, and can be conned on to have too much of the spirit of personal liberty to put love under official surveillance.

** THE CATECHISM OF CAPITALISTIC MORALITY. **

SOCIAL DEMOCRATIC HERALD.

Question: In an answer to a previous question it was stated that right is might and wrong is weakness. Nevertheless we distinguish between a moral and immoral workingman. Is not there a contradiction?

Answer: By no means. The ruling class has always prescribed to the lower classes their code of morals and does it at present. If, for instance, a workingman is industrious, sober and x good husband and father, we call him moral, because we need just such men for our mills, factories, etc. If he is shiftless, lazy, hoelined to excesses, unreliable, he is a poor nervant and likely to hurt our interests. We stamp him therefore with our disapproval and call him names. We alshor tramps because we cannot exploit them at all.

Q: But we meet lazy, shiftless, unreliable and profligate people among the members of the ruling class. There are rich people who never did a stroke of honest work during all their useless life, and pass much of their leisure in aimless traveling from place to piace.

A: This fact just illustrates the proper point of view on conduct in general, A member of the ruling class cannot be expected to behave like a common laborer. He has the right, nay, the daty, to enjoy life as beat he sees fit. Quod licet boyi non licet boyi. There is a different code of morals or conduct for the lords than of their servants.

Q: What would be an ideal state of society?

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A.: An ideal society would he composed of two classes. The upper class would have only to enjoy life in its fullness and have no work to do at all. This lower class would he composed of heings with no capacity, no desire for the enjoyment of life. Its only passion would he for untiring toil, its only himbition to see their lords live a life of demi-gods.

to see their lords live a life of deml-gods.

Q.: Can this ideal ever he realized?

A.: Yes. By proper artificial sexual selection and careful training during a few generations the present proud proletarian may be reduced to such a slate. If it be necessary to kill off a few of them before this ideal is realized, it must be done. And that is all there is to it. Do not we shoot civilization and Christianity into the barharian tribes, when they are in our way?

Q.: What is Charity?

A.: It is a cheap substitute for Justice and a very convenient thing for the ruling class. It affords as a means to show our superiority and power to the lower classes and helps as to keep them in a state of proper humility and dependency on our sweet will. Our refined laddes find in it a piensant way of quieting their easy conscience. Bessile this, charity, when properly organized and mansged, saves as many an annoyance from professional beggars. We may treat them like criminals without appearing heartless. We may win the sympathies of the worthy poor by a few crumbs we throw them from our overladen tables.

Q.: What is the difference between the worthy poor and the others?

Ox: What is the difference between the worthy poor and the others?

A.: It is a great deal cheaper and more convenient to produce commodities with the ald of machinery than with the ald of human power. We strive therefore with all the means in our hands to perfect our machinery and replace human hands. The reserve army of nuemployed is necessary for us in order to keep our employed workers in the bounds. Charity helps us to keep this army just on the brink of semi-starvation and in constant rendiness to take a proposed job on any terms. Those poor who are too far demoralized to be counted upon in time of need as a possible caudidate for the office of a strike-breaker we call undeserving. Of course there are some poor who do not show the proper spirit of hamility and appreciation of charity and are classed among the unworthy. This seems inevitable.

O.: What is instice?

Q.: What is justice?

A.: Now, do not ask any fool questions. You remember the question put by Pilatus to Jesus Christ and his answer? The rule of the strong must of necessity be just.

Q.: If that is the case, what do me need any charity for?

A.: Well! Of course in an ideal society, as depicted above, there would be need neither for Justice, nor for Charity. All would be harmony and peace.

Schenectady, N. Y.

NOTES BY THE WAY.

The more childen in school, the fewer idle parents.—Shoeworkers' Journal.

Labor Item. The wages of sin will remain the same as ever.—N. Y. World.

Opulence is atways the product of fleet, if not by actual possessor by his ancestors.—St. Jerome.

The present economic system depends for its continuance on the ignorance of the working man.—Miners' Magazine.

Nature created community; private property is the offspring of esurpation. St. Ambrose.

Ambrose,
"When Ollver Cromwell passed to frinmph through the streets of London, he
remarked as he gazed upon the vasi multiinde that cheered him. A still idgrer crowd
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"Here is a straw which shows how the wind blows: My official duties recently brought me in contact with a millionaire manufacturer. After a general discassion of the industrial slimation in the coal fields the ventured to remark that the great mass of veeple were not as prosperous as the newspapers and politicians would have as believe, to which I gave assent. He then ead that he had become a believer in Socialism, and expressed the opinion that it was not far away in the United States. He is only one of many. I asked him to declare himself publicly, and he said he dared not do so for the lamediate present, as it would canse his rain in business. He fears the condemnation of the men who do not yet understand the meaning of the new movement for the emanification wage slavery."—A. M. Dewey, Special Agt., U. S. Dept. of Labor.

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unionist." It's all in the direction, but the direction Dehs took is a forward oae. We cannot say as much for Gom-pers. The history of the coming years will deal principally with Socialism. That means that history will have to pass Mr. Gompers by as a back number. EDITORIAL SHEARINGS.

Miss Sadie Nash, the daughter of the smeller irms, recently saw a little girl barelegged in the street car at Omahs. "Moved by pity Misn Nash removed her hardsome silk petiteoat modestly and gracefully and wrapped it about the poor child" saya the press dispatch. If Miss Nash wanta to cover all the bare legs of little girls she had letter boy her petiteoats wholesale. Few bare legged girls ride on street cars, though—Larannie Weekly Times.

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The man with antold wealth is the one who dodges the tax assessor.—Philindelphia Hecord.

working man.—Miners' Magazine.
Lalsor clothes and feeds the world, yet labor begs for crumba and rags.

There are 333 electric light plants in egration under mandicpal ownership in the United States. These are located in thirty-nine states and territories, farmishing 25.087 are light and 371,440 incaodescent lights, and representating a capacity of 70,000 horse power. Ohio has 41 municipal plants; Michigan, 25; Illinois, 34; Minoesota, 25; lowa, 23; Missonri, 10; Indians, 18; New York, 14; Pennsylvania, 13, and Nature created community; private prop-When Booker Washington has convinced the negro that there is honor in work, he might turn his attention to the whites.— Detroit News.

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Hard Lines for Senfarers ..

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Milwaukee, Dec. 7.—Editor Herald: In this age of centralization of industry and wealth, when the attention is forcibly called to labor-displacing machinery and labor-saving combinations, called trusts, combinations that are today destructive, yet which would be a blessing under same conditions, it is always worth our attention to enquire into the labor conditions that make up such an important factor in the development. Although important, how many of us ever think of the men engaged in the shipping industry of the great lakes, for instance—the sen-faring men who risk their lives almost constantly for a meter bittance and a beggarity existence at the law of the great of the always we will ensure the sen-faring men who risk their lives almost constantly for a meter breatder than beggarity existence at the law of the constant of the law of law pittance and a beggariy existence at the hands of the class they help to enrich? Great improvements have been made

oreal improvements have been made in the last few years in the different craft used for carrying merchandise from port to port. Where there used to be n dezen small craft, all requiring separate crews to handle them, and with arate crews to handle them, and with very limited carrying capacity, one large steel shell of a vessel and one crew now does the same work faster and better and with smaller risk of life. But these boats are not yet completely in possession. The smaller ones still try to compete: There are every season numbers of old vessels, called "floating coffins" that go to the bottom of the lakes with their crews. The water classes in over them, the insurance is collected, and the incident forgotten. We can even go further and say that these disasters are not nuwelcome to their owners, the capitalists. Even more so the owners of the big hoats. While they ride in their special cars and live in mansions of luxury,

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sion. Thus anarchy, waste and starvation have been its too frequent attendants, while the normal position of the workmen under it has been precarions and unworthy of free enlightened men.

"The supporters of the trusts maintain, with very good show of reason, that unreguisted competition is harmful and may he ruinous to all concerned, and that they can maintain fair prices, pay fair wages and secure a fair return to capital only hy mutual arrangement among the producers. But the system obviously involves the serious objection that the great industrial chiefs who organize and direct the trusts are thereby constituted supreme judges of their own interests and of the aconomic interests of the whole Amercian people, that such combinations form a huge monopoly in so many of the leading articles of consumption, and establish an economic, social and political power, which may he a danger to American society.

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" A reasonable standard of living, the competent means of a normal development have been determined by science and are no longer a matter of Utopian guess work. A fairly definite measure of fresh air, food, clothing, exercise and of satisfaction for the affections associated with wifa and children constitute the rational needs of the average man. " The effect of the Social istic theory on these points is to remove the vital interests of man from the range of competition and to place them on an ethical and scientific hasis ander social control."—Kirknp.

A Famlin Garland Story. "Under the Lion's Paw."

to amidst nature's charms, the som crops, the exhilarating free-the prosperity, etc., etc., has been prosed by this trathful and fedier of Missinaippl valley life. Inhe shown the grim reality of the assurage for exhitence, his sacriteath health and strength and love of any of nature in the often vain to goe with such a struggle—one at wonder, in reading his picturen a life, that the hoys desert to the

west wonder, in reading his pictureng that life, that the hoys desert to the many pathetic and takes of this sort that have come his pen, wa select the following, shipped to re-tell in as few words pathet the beginning of the story, was of lack of space.

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Hastins worked like a fiend, and his tig, like the heroic woman that ahe ma, here also nneomplainingly the most trible burdens. They rose early and tiled without intermission till the dark-sas fell on the plain, then tumbled lato the term has morne alloughture and sold south of the same fercely of the same forcely of the same forc

dest boy drove a team all the apring, ploughing and seed-ed the cows, and did chores ine, in most ways taking the place

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The Auction of Labor.

is are selling themselves for a song.

There is the fool that calls it wrong?

Who huys?

In they not free to stand

that the hammer in this free land?

In the bend to the huyer there:

In the for a place from a brother's hand

to the day in the high tand air,

all every fact that makes life fair.

It they are stabborn and will not bear

d the strong man cease to devour the

Are they wise?

Se! Let the dying hary their dead,
Who huya?

10 o'clock to call him in to rest and lunch.

No slave in the Roman galleys could have tolled so frightfully and lived, for this man thought himself a free man, and that he was working for his wife and babes.

When he sank into his bed with a deep groun of relief, too tired to change his

When he sank into his bed with a deep groun of relief, too tired to change his grimy, dripping clothing, he felt that he was getting nearer and nearer to a home, and pushing the wolf of want a little farlier from his door.

It was the memory of his former home-lessness and the fear of its coming again that spurred Timothy Haskins and Nettle, his wife, to such ferocions labor during that first year.

"M, yes; 'm, yes; first rate," said Butler, as his eye took in the neat garden, the pigpen and the well-filled harnyard. "Yon're gittin' quite a stock around yeb. Done well, eh?"
Haskins was showing Butler around the place. He had not seen it for a year, having spent the year in Washington and Poston with Ashley, his brother-in-law, who had been elected to Congress.

"Yes, I've laid out a good deal of money during the last three years. I've paid out \$300 f'r fencing."

"Um-h'm! I see, I see," said Butler, while Haskins went on:

"The kitchen there cost \$200; the barn

ain't cost much in money, hut I've put n lot of time on it. I've dug a new well,

Yes, yes, I see! You've done well. wk worth \$1000," said Bntler, picking

"Yes, yes, I see! You've done well. Sinwk worth \$1000," said Bntler, picking his teeth with a straw.

"About that," said Haskins, modestly. "We begin to feel as if we was git'a' a home fr ourselves; but we've worked hard. I tell you we begin to feel it, Mr. Butler, and we're goin to begin to ease ap party soon. We've heen kind o' planning a trip back to her folks after the fall plowin'a done."

"Eggs-actly!" said Butler, who was evidently thinking of something else. "I suppose you've kind o' cal'c'lated on atayin' here three years more?"

"Well, yes. Faet is, I think I c'n hay the farm this fall, if you'll give me a reasonable show."

"Um-m! What do you call a reasonable show?"

"Engrandle show."

"Why, about what did yon expect to pay fr the place?"

"Why, about what yon offered it for before, \$2500, or, possibly, \$3000," he added quickly, as he saw the owner shake hin head.

"This farm is worth \$5500," said Butler, in a careless and decided voice.

"What!" almost shrieked the aatonished Haskins. "What's double what you offered it for three years ago."

"Of course; and it's worth it. It was all ran down then; now it is in good ahape. You've laid ont \$1500 in improvements according to your owa story."

"But you had aothing to do about that.

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"But you had nothing to do about that. It's my work an' my money."

"You bet it was; but it's my land."

"An' you had the use of 'em?' replied Batler, amiling calmly into his face.

Hankina was like a man struck on the head with a sand bag; he couldn't think; he stammered as he tried to say: "But to release that I could hay or rent at the end of that I could hay or rent at the end of they you carry off the improvements, aur that I'd go on renting the farm at two-fifty. The land is doubled in value; it don't matter how; it don't enter into the question; an' now you can pay me \$500 a year rent or take it on your own terms at \$5500, or—git out."

He was turning away when Haskins, the sweat poaring from his face, fronted him, saying again:

"But you've done nothing to make it so. You hain't added a cent. I put it all there myself, expectin' to hny, I worked an' sweat to improve it. I was working for myself and babes—"

"Well, why dida't yon buy whea I offered to sell? What y' kiekin' about?"

"The kiekin' about payin' yon twice fray own things—my own fences, my owa kitchen, my owa garden."

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Butler laughed. "You're too green t' eat, young feller. Your improvements!

neeted with his stable, where his hurses are curried by electricity. There is an

The law will sing another time."

"But I trusted your word."

"Never trust anybody, my friend. Besides I didn't promise not to do this thing. Why, man, don't look at ms like that. Doa't take me for a thief. It's the law. The reglar thing. Everybody does it."

"I don't care if they do. It's stealing jest the same. You take three thousand dollars of my moaey—the work of my handa and my wife'a." He hroke down at this poiat. He was not a strong man mentally. He could face hardahlp, ceaseless toil, hut he could and face he cold and ancering face of Butler.

"But I don't take it." said Butler, coolly. "All yon've got to do is to go on jest as yon've been n-doin', or give me \$1000 down, and a mortgage at 10 per cent, on the rest.

Hankinn sat down blindly on a bundle of oatn near hy, and with staring eyea and drooping head went over the aination. He was nader the llon's paw. He felt in horrible numbness in his heart and llimbt. He was hid in a mist, and there was no path out.

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Butler walked ahout, looking at the huge stacks of grain, and pulling now and again a few handfuls out, shelling the heads in his hands and blowing the chaft heads. He hummed a little time as he

again a few handfuls ont, shelling the heads in his hands and blowing the chaff away. He hummed a little time as he did so. He had an accommodating air of writing. Haskins was again in the midst of the terrible toil of the last year. He was walking again in the rain and the mid hehind his plow; he felt the dust and dirt of the threshing. Then he thought of his wrife, how she had chresfully cooked and haked, without holiday and without rest. "Well, what do you think of it?" Inquired the cool, mocking, insinnating voice of Butler. "I think you are a thief and a liar!" shouted Haskins, leaping up. "A black-hearted houn!" Butler's smile maddend him; with a audden leap lie eaught the fork in his hands, and whirled it in the air. "You'll never rob another man, damn ye!" he grated through his teeth, a look of pittiess ferocity in his accusing eyes.

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Butler shrank and quivered, expecting the blow; stood, half hypnotized by the eyes of the man he had a moment before dispised—a man transformed into an avenging demon. But in the deadly hush between the lift of the weapon and its fall there came a gush of faint, childish laughter, and then across the range of his vision, far away and dim, he saw the sam-bright head of his baby girl, as with the pretty totteriag run of a 2-year-old, ahe moved across the grass of the door-yard. His hands relaxed; the fork fell to the ground; his head lowered.

"Make out y'r deed an', mor'gage, an' git off'a my land, an 'don't ye nevercross my line again; if-y' do, I'll klil ye."

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Butler backed away from the man in wild haste, and climbing into his buggy with trembling limbs, drove off down the road, leaving Haskins seated dumbly on the sunny pile of sheaves, his head suak into his hands.

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The fire department cost \$1.32 per head, which was not a large expense considering the many millions of property that are protected.

The schools cost \$5.51 per capita. This item might be doubled, to the great advantage of the working men's sons. A few hundred more schoolhouses could be occupied.

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Street lightning was done at an expense of 76-cents per capita for the year. No family could light its home for that amount! Other street expenditures cost \$2.07.—Wm. S. Waudhy in Typographical Journal. twelk, the long the l

Is Not a Quack Remedy.

Gertrude Collea in The Public.

The German Center Party.

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rding to the hulletin of the United department of labor (September, there is a municipal problem besthat it would be well for our languagations to examine into, for illustrations to examine into, for illustrations to examine into, for illustrations to examine into for illustrations to examine and affects many politics. I will take some of the that relate to our largest city—fork—to illustrate what puternal-oks like statistically. These starte also presented with the object of arousing the working men to tation of the value of their voting thus enabling them to eee how is dependent upon their keeping was open to the possibilities ander-the Careful nse of their franchise

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neeted with his stable, where his harses are curried by electricity. There is an electric spanker to whilel the youngsters are at times introduced, and even the movements of a flock of pet pigeons helonging to one of the boys are controlled by electricity, for the doors of the pigeon honse are opened and closed by a current, while electric moequito exterminators guard the windows and doors. All the power is generated by an innocent looking windmill.—American Contractor. Julian Hawthorne, the well-known

Julian Hawthorne, the well-known novelist, contributes a story of the coal atrike to the December Wilshire's Magazine. The well-known English Socialist, Comrade H. M. Hyndman, is also a contributor, and there is an abandance of interesting features, especially an article by the editor in which he tells of his experience with Senator Spooner during the recent Wisronsia campaign. It is an issue worth having.

What We Social Democrats Are After.

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The following is the national platform of principles of the Social Democrata: The Socialist party of America, in national constitution assembled, reaffirms its adherence to the principles of international Socialist party of America, in national contains a continuous seembled, reaffirms its adherence to the principles of international Socialism, and declares its aim to be the organization of the working class, and tose in sympathy with it, into a pollitical party, with the object of conquering the powers of government and using them for the purpose of transforming the present system of private ownership of the means of production were simple and owned by the individual worker. Today the machine, which is hit and informed in a manifer of the single and owned by the capitalists and not by the workers. This ownership enables and keep the workers. This ownership of the capitalists to control the product and distribution is responsible for the e-reinforceasing mocrateinty of livelished on and distribution is responsible for the e-reinforceasing mocrateinty of livelished on and distribution is responsible for the e-reinforceasing mocrateinty of livelished on and distribution is responsible for the e-reinforceasing mocrateinty of livelished on an experiment of the product and distribution is responsible for the e-reinforceasing mocrateinty of livelished on the e-reinforceasing mocrateinty of livelished on the product of the means of livelished classes—the capitalisis and wage workers. The once powerfor middle class is a piddy disappearing in the mill of competition. The stringle is now between the capitalist class and the working class. The progressive reduction of the hours of labor in proportion to the linearing failor in proportion to the linearing of the mossesion of the means of livelished responsible of the mossesion of the means of livelished responsible of the mossesion of the means of livelished responsible of the means of livelished responsible of the means of livelished t

and the the workers. This ownership enables the capitalists to control the product and keep the workers dependent upon them.

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The economic interests of the capitalist is an explained to the continuous and the continuous and the continuous and the continuous and the capitalists may extend their commercial dolalnion abload and enhance their imprement at home.

Into the same economic canses which developed capitalism are leading to Socialism, which will abolish both the capitalist class and the class of wage workers. And the class of wage workers, and the parties which do not stand for the committee overthrow of the capitalist aystem of production, are alike interests of the control of the capitalist aystem of production, are alike political representatives of the capitalist class.

2. The progressive reduction of the honro of labor in proportion to the increasing facilities of production, to decrease the share of the capitalist class and to increase the share of the workers in the product of their labor.

their labor.

3. State or national insurance of working people in ease of accidents, lack si employment, sickness and want in old age, the revenue therefor to be derived from the government.

4. The inanguration of a system of pab-lic ladnatries for the employment of the inemployed, the public credit to be utilized for that purpose, in order that the work for that purpose, in order that the work ers may receive the product of their toil. 5. The education of all children op to the age of 18 years, and state and mani-pal aid for books, clothing and food. 6. Edna civil and could be a the for year. 6. Equal civil and political rights for mer

and women.

7. The initiative and referendom, propor tional representation and the rt, bt of recall of representatives by their constitaents. But in making these demands as steps in the overthrow of capitalism and in the establishment of the co-operative common wealth, we warm the people against the public ownership demands made by capitalistic political parties, which always result in perpetuating the capitalist system through the compromise or defect of the Socialist revolution.

The Red Ribbon.

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A Dialogue hy Josephine R. Cole.
Boy and girl. Girl wears a red rihbon.
Boy does not.
Boy—Good morning, Nellie. That is n pretty red rihbon yon have on.
Girl—That is my Socialist ribbon.
Boy—Why, Nellie, are you a Socialist!
Girl—Of course I am.
Boy—What it n Socialist?
Girl—Owhy, a Socialist?
Girl—Why, a Socialist is a—is a—Socialist, of course. My papa is a Socialist and man and Socialist.
Boy—What does the red rihbon mean?
Girl—The red rihbon means that nil the men in the world have the same kind of hlood, the same color, red, the color of this ribbon.

Boy—Why that socrae funny. Do you

of hlood, the same color, red, the color of this ribbon.

Boy—Why, that seems funny. Do you mean that the negro, with hisck skin and wooly bair, has blood the same color as mine?

Girl—Yes, just the same color as yours

Girl—Yes, just the same color as yonrs and mine, red.

Boy—Why does it not make his skin the sama color, then?

Girl—I do not know about that, hnt I will be sama color, then?

Girl—I do not know about that, hnt I know it is true, for once I saw n negro boy cut his finger and when the hlood dropped ont it was hright red, just like this. (Points to ribbon.)

Boy—Then do you suppose the Indiana and tha Chinamen and the Esquimanx and all the different nationalities have red hlood, too?

Girl—Yes, everybody in the world, gero \$5.35, to J. Hnager for printing for \$25.30 and to R. Saltiel for German books for \$10.00.

E. H. Thomas, Secy.

this stands for, to show that all men and women in the world are one race— the human race, we call it. Boy—Who told you all that, Nellie? Girl—My papa. Doesn't your papa tell you so?

Girl—My papa. Doesn't your papa tell you so?

Boy—I guess he forgot to tell me. (Comes a little nearer the girl.) I think that ribboa is n pretty color.

Girl—If you would like a piece, I have one in my pocket you can hava. (Pins it on his jacket.) Now you nrs a Socialist, too. When we grow up ws will both vota for Socialism.

Boy—Why, you can't vote, you're a girl. Only the men vote.

Girl—Well, when I am grown up tha women will vote too.

Boy—How do you know that?

Girl—Because my mama says so.

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Notes from Yankee-land.

The Montana Socialist is a new one com Butte. It is hright and will do nod work.

Something may drop in Pennsylvania this spring when the Socialists go into the local elections.

Comrada Max Hayes of Cleveland will lecture in Toledo January 3 on "Why Socialism is Coming."

Comrade W. R. Healey of Longwood, Fla., has been elected national commit-teeman from his state. Organizer Gnylord of Wisconsin spoke on Socialism at the normal achool in Mil-wankee the other evening.

The Montann Labor Jonnal is the latest one to turn over to Socialism. Will help the campaign of education.
"Better travel slowly on the right road than rapidly on the wrong one," is the felicitous motto of the California Socialization.

Mrs. Mnry E. Lease spoks under the auspices of the Twenty-first assem-big district club in New York, Decem-her 21.

The Idaho official count gives the Socialists 1537 votes. It was the first time the date had a Sociellat ticket in the field.

Prof. Herron and Mrs. Herron will reach American by the new year. Com-rade Herron has been benefited in health by his stay in Italy.

Omrade Frederic O. MacCartney of tha Massachasetta Legislature addressed the Twentieth Century Cluh of Boston on Socialism last week.

Although the first time in the field, the Socialists of Medimont, Id., elected n constable. The old prejudice against So-cialism do seem to be wenring off a bit

That hat page advertisement on the Vanguard cover is an affront to Socialists. No Socialists publication abould alter fakirism, even at so much per line. The California Socialist, which is edited by Comrade M. W. Wilkins, who some years ago was editor of the Class Struggle, has appeared, and is bright and readable.

Since the election and the little So-cialistic finrry in the A. F. of L. conven-tion at New Orleans, 'here has been a very noticeable coming over to Social-ism on the part of the labor journals of Father McGrady has been deluged with

correspondence since the news of his resignation of his parish got abroad. They all unite in congratulating him on now being able to devote him entire time to the Socialistic propagands.

The official vote for Colorado gives Comrade John C. Provost for governor 7128. Comrade Ida Crouch Hazlett, who was the candidate for congressman at large, received 7384. Comrade W. A. Ast, for state anditor, had 7996 votes.

In spite of the municipal victories in Brockton, Mass., the Democrats still hold the balance of power in the city govern-ment. The socialistic mensures that the Socinists will he able to pass will be those which the Democrats will not dare to opppose hecanse of the nwakened pub-lic opinion.

The Socialists of Haverhill have gone The Socialists of Havernia inve gone into the courts in the matter of the recent election count, Comrade Bradley, candidate for mayor, clalming that several blank hallots were counted for the enemy and other irregularities committed. Bradley lost by but fourteen votes, and if he can maintain his complaint will receive the election.

ward Socialists send its their names to belp.

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Comrade John W. Slayton, city connicior of New Castle, Pa., had a chance at the promoters of a railway ordinance the other day. He made a strong speech against giving a franchise to the Shenningo & Beaver Valley railway—a company that had not endeared itself to the Even in obsequionaly calling our branches locals in imitation of the nniôns, and adapting a pingiarism of the emhiem of the A. F. of L. as a national embiem, the national Socialist party bas only increased the bitterness of certain anti-Socialist anion leaders, which is not surprising. The Socialista ahould stand on their own bottom, maintaining mutually helpful relations with the trade unions, but not overdoing the thing.

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Milford, S. D., Dec. 16.—Social Democratic Herald: Although F do not read German! subscribe to the Warhelt and hand it out to my German neighbors. Am sorry to say that they do not vote the Socialist ticket ret, hit we must keep on trying, some day they will see things right. I was the nominee for Congress of our party in this state. My vote in this county was 46. In the state 2.578. Hon. Freeman Knowies, my colleague who was in Congress in 1897 and 1898, received 2.738. There are twelve local

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working class, by the way, by discharging a workman because he was a Socialist—holding strongly against giving nway the people's streets. He staggered the promoters by angesting: that the city and the company share the profits of the road's operation. This put the company shovers in confusion, we are told.

The Western tour of Comrades Thomas J. Hagerty and Edward Hayes will commence in Montsna about January 10. They will give twenty-five speeches in that state, four in the Coenr d'Aiene d'strict in idaho, and two at Spokane, Wash. The weil-known ex-president of the Western Federation of Miners and the famous Socialist-priest ought to make a strong team.

Wisconsin Notes.

Watch the Socialist revival in Wis-onsin while Comrade Thompson is here. We are pianning to make Milwaukee a ttle hit warmer than it ever was he-

Plainfield is the newest baby of the bunch, in the line of charter applica-

Fond dn Lac kept the promise minds to have an organization effected and be-sides in coming down with the necessary for the Thompson lectures.

January is filled up solid for Comrade Thompson. He will have to get all his rest on the trains and street cars for a We can now make February dates for Thompson if the comrades will hurry. The same terms hold as before. Don't you want a "Socialist revivul" in your town, too?

town, too?

Comrade Gsylord will speak at another charch in Milwaukee. This time it is the Park Piace M. E. Church in the Eighteenth ward and the date is December 28, at 7:30 p. m. The subject will be "Socialism and Religion." No admittance fee, comrades. Turn out!

Our stata'secretary, Miss Thomas, returned from her vacation in the East full of enthusiasm and renewed energy and now matters will jump more than ever.

Racine and Kenosha are moving in the matter of ward organization. Who'll be the next? Every city in the state minst hava its wards organized and a city central committee formed within the next six months at the outside. But some of them will have to hurry!

Brodhead calls for Comrade Thompson for three nights. All right, Comrado Evans, but it will have to he in February. Any more towns in that neighborhood want Comrade Thompson about that time, too?

Don't be marchists now, in your efforts to sprend the principles of Socialism, and try to be independent. Keep in touch with the state office and you will have unexpected blessings coming your way. Co-operate!

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There is a suburb of Miiwaukee called "Pigsville" under capitalism. The Socialists of this piace are planning the organization of a branch of the Social Democratic party, and that will lead to a chauge of name of the locality in time. Think of calling a place of buman habitation by the horrible name of "Pigsville." Socialism will stop such outrages on sentiment as that.

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We have the Third ward of Milwan-kee almost lined up! There are fifty good Socialists who voted the ticket in that ward, and we are finding out who they are. We will be glad to have Third ward Socialists send us their usmes to beip.

We want to were upon the communication.

WHAT THE WILLING WORKERS ARE ABOUT.

Walter Price.

ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS.

Socialist, Omaha.—We should call Mr.
Howells a Socialist, certainly. He is not a party member, it is true, but on numerous occasions his pen has been employed to help on the knowledge of Socialism. His book, "A Traveler from Altruria" is practicelly devoted to setting forth the main idea of Socialism. Read It.

C. C. J., Wilsonport.—Do not get your Socialism from the daily press. Get it from Socialism from the daily press.

Comrade Jean Longuet of France, grandson of Knrl Marx, contributes an article on "Zola, the Socialist," to the December number of the Comrade. The isane is filled with excellent articles and the typographical appearance is much better. It may be had at all live book stands and costs 10 cents.

The International Socialist Review for

Sheboygan Faila promises to have an wakening soon and form a local hranch. awazening soon and form a local branch. We are learning of some of the places where the Social Democratic vote was counted out, and will doubtless be able to increase the number of piaces where branch organizations are possible by the time we bave gone over the state by at lenst twenty.

Comrade Isnac Peterson of Minne-apolia is traveling through our state now selling books, and incidentally assisting the Agitator by picking np the names of good Socialists here and there. We would be glad to have all the assistance of this kind we can get. It naves doi-lars.

Inrs.

Fond du Lac is one of our promising new fields. There is a fine spirit of earnestness and activity among the comrades there, and we look for inrge results. The condition of affairs in the city politics is such as to give an honest party a great opening, and the comrades are trying to get ready for the opportunity offered.

Next. Fond. in Lac is a "railway.

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North Fond du Lac is n "railway town," having n "bull peu" of its own around the shops there, with a barracks inbeled "Y. M. C. A." inside where the men who have no homes can get phor coffee, rest in a dirty reading room that is almost as inviting as the waiting rooms furnished by the company at its stationa, and having tollet accommodations which rival the neighboring barnyards. We concluded that there ought to be some Socialist work done there, and shall try to co-operate with the comrades of Fond du Lac in the matter.

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Milwaukee Federated Trades Council.

Meeting of Dec. 17.—Delegate Welch of Typographical 23 in the chair. Delegate Schultz, vice chairman. All officers present. Minutes approved. New delegates seated from Woodworkers No. 8. Illacks and the No. 17. Commercial Telegraphers No. 2 (new), and Truck Drivers No. 46 (new). Executive committee reported granting Teansters mae of deak room in office, and presenting the following recommendation: "In any event that any affiliated amion is requested to endorse asymeasure for the consideration of the next Legislature, it shall be considered the duty of said union to submit anch measure for approval or disproval to the legislative committee of the Federated Trades Council with instructions to confer with the executive board of the State Federation of Labor before any definite action is taken upon any legislative measure by any affiliated union, And the secretary be instructed to notify all local unions affiliated with this conneil." Report concurred in. On recommendation of organization committee reported adversely on purchase of Herold stock on account of state of treasury, but recommended that affiliated unions and members subscribe. Approved. Legislative committeve reported ariangements for joint meeting of the committee with the Betterment League at Y. M. C. A. on Monday night to discuss compulsory education bill. Sanitary committee asked that business agent bring pressure to bear on property owners not keeping sidewalks clear, Concurred in. The committee on labor temple plan iterported meeting of anions at which it was shown that project would call for \$250,000, half to be raised by the unions. The sentiment was against getting public subscriber of the pioposed national conference of city abor bodies was discussed as a special order, and was decided to keep at the plan, but to first submit its specifically to the local nuions for discussion. The semi-annual election was valven up, resulting as a special order, and was accided to Report the local nuions Milwaukee Federated Trades Council.

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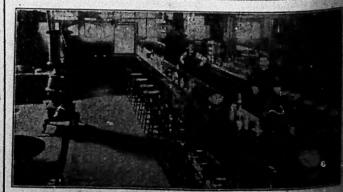
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